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Banks,

HUNGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK. ING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, ... 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 200,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-E. R. BELILIOS, Esq. Deputy Chairman-AD. ANDRE. Esq. J. F. CORDES, Esq. S. W. POMEROY, Kaq. H. Hoppivs, Esq. F. D. SABBOOM, Esq. A MOLYER, Esq.

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Shanghai, . . Ewen Camenon, Esq. LONDON BANKEDS. - London and County

> HONGKONG. INTERRST. ALLOWED

N Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily DALKINGS.

On Fixed Deposits :-For 3 months, 2 per cent, per annum. d per cent. 5 per cent.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan. T, JACKSON,

Leting Ohief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No, 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, November 2, 1876.

intimations.

HONGKONG.

GAUPP & WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS, 38, Queen's Road,

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS. CHRONOMETERS.

Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee.

All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch. Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY.

LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-first Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the CITY HALL, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 25th January instant, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving & Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of the Accounts, and electing Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. DA COSTA,

Secretary. Hongkong, January 2, 1877. HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY,

LIMITED. NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 25th Instant, both days incluve. By Order of the Board of Directors,

P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 9, 1877. MACAO HOTEL,

PRAYA CRANDE, MACAO.

IN the 20th Instant, a First Class HOTEL will be OPENED, under Le above title, in Spacious, Commodious, and well-furnished Premises on the Praya

Every attention will be paid to the comfort of Visitors. Wines, Spirits and Estables of the best quality only supplied. Terms moderate, J. P. DE CAMPOS,

Proprietor. Massoy Japuary 8, 1877.

intimations.

THE MEDICAL HALL, 37, Queen's Road, Hongkong. ESTABLISHED 1853. TH. KOFFER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, April 28, 1876.

W. BALL, CHINA DISPENSARY.

TMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, TOLLET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDI. CINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG. Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf. Hongkong, July 18, 1876.

AH YON, SHIPS' COMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE, .

No. 57, Praya West. SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice. Honghong, May 1, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE ADJOURNED MEETING to consider the advisability of Establishing MUTUAL BENEFIT BUILDING SU-CIETY in Hongkong, will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, ON THURSDAY NELL, the 18th Instant, at 5 o'Clock. All Persons interested in the subject are

nvited to attend. DAVID WELSH, For the Promoters. Hongkong, January 15, 1877.

N and after the 15th of January, my Charge for Brokerage on all SHARES, wal be HALF PER OENT on the Full Amount, to be Paid by the Seller only. W. M. MORGAN,

Hongkong, January 13, 1877.

LARGE MERCANTILE FIRM ENGLAND, principally engaged in the Hardware Line, but executing Indents | | | HE Partnership hitherto existing bein all Branches of Trade, wish to meet with an energetic European Gentleman to abt Firm of as Resident AGENT in Hongkong on Commission. Liberal Terms and facilities at this Port, has this day been dissolved will be given, so that a good income can be by mutual consent. made by an energetic representative. Candidate with a connection amongst the principal indenters will be preferred. Satisfactory references must be forwarded. Address in first instance to Box 129, GENE-BAL POST OFFICE, BIRMINGHAM.

NTO, 1 of the "TOKIO TIMES" (A Weekly Journal) will be Published at Tokio on Saturday, January 6, 1877. Terms of Subscription: \$12 per Year. Single Copies, 25 cents. Advertisements: 50 cents per Inch or

part of an inch, and \$5 per Column. Orders received by Messis Lane, Chawford & Co.

Hougkong, January, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE Thirty-Eighth Annual MEETING of the MEDICAL MISSIONARY SUCIETY, will be Held at the House of Messrs OLYPHANT & Co., Canton, on THURSDAY, the 18th Instant, at 11 o'Clock a.m.

FLEMMING CARROW, M.D., SIR BROOKE ROBERTSON, C.B., Acting President. Canton, January 11, 1877.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

TAR. H. C. Espmann has been admitted IVI a Partner in our Firm, and Mr. ALFRED HERTE has been authorized to sign for us per Procuration.

CARLOWITZ & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

NOTICE. TR. LUDWIG SIEGMUND LAIRENS is Firm Ceased on the 80th September, 1876.

authorized to sign our Firm per W. PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877. NOTICE. THE BUSINESS of the Undersigned

will henceforth be carried on under the Name or Style of H. Kier & Co. H. KLÆR.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

Firm of the late Mr J. O. KRUSE ceased with his death at Yokohama on the 27th of August last, and the Business will be carried on as heretofore and under the same Style and Firm by our Mr H. Kunt-

Mr Richard Ecobneages has been anthorised to sign the Firm.

KRUSE & Co. Hongkops, January L. 1877.

intimations.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 1877.

MacEWEN,

ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

00.75 GUILLET BRANDY.

This BRANDY is well known in England, the Colonies, and India. The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers from Charente.

Qualities One *, Two **, Three ***, and Four ****, in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

GRENO'S POMMERY

HAMPAGNE,

in Quarts and Pints, As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877.

NOTIOE.

PUSTAU, Jung., is authorized to sign

W. PUSTAU & Co.

SIEMSSEN & Co.

GUSTAV RAYNAL,

CARL MILISCH.

A. A. DE MELLO & Co.

Notices of Firms.

TR. WILHELM CARL ENGELBRECHT VON

NOTICE.

TAR. FERDINAND NISSEN has been com

IVI pelled to ratire from our Firm in

terest and responsibility deased on the Sist

MR. NICOLAUS AUGUST SIEES has been

We have this day reopened a branch of

NOTICE.

tween the Undersigned under the

G. RAYNAL & Co.

NOTICE.

VISCOUNT DO CERCAL in our Firm

HAVE this day Established myself at

NOTICE.

HE Interest and Responsibility of the

late MB. ALFRED HUTCHISON in our

NOTIOE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing be-

tween the Undersigned under the

been dissolved by lapse of time, and the

DEACON & Co.

C. J. MESTERN,

W. HULSE.

burm Ceased on the 26th February 1876.

this Port under my own name as

HE Interest and Responsibility

consequence of failing health, and his in

authorised to sign for us by Procuration.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

Macao, January 1, 1877.

ceased from the 1st April 1070.

Macao, January 1, 1877.

GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

Canton, January 9, 1877.

Canton, January 1, 1877.

used for the Liquidation only.

Canton, December 81, 1876.

the Style of CAMPBELL & Co.

Swatow, January 1, 1877.

heretofore under the Style of

Swatow, January 1, 1877.

Hongkong, Norember 81, 1676,

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr

The Business will be Continued under

THE Firm of J. D. MEYER & FEHRS

will from this Date be carried on as

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

CHARLES BEWICK QUELOR in our

QUELOH & CAMPBELL.

J. D. MEYER & Co.

WM. ORUICKSHANK,

Manager.

Hongkong, December 23, 1876.

December last.

our sirm at Canton.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship

Captain Punchard, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 17th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, January 12, 1877.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Spanish Steamer "SALVADORA." Capt. HORMAECHEA, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 17th Instant, at

For Freight or Passage, apply to BRANDAO & Co. Hongkong, January 13, 1877.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Steamship ESMERALDA," Captain THEBAUP, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 18th Instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to A. MACG. HEATON,

Agent. Hongkong, January 15, 1877.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. The Steamship

"ARRATOON APOAR, Capt. A. B. MACTAVISH, will leave this for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 18th Inst., at 8 p.m. Despatches will close at 2.80 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

Hongkong, January 12, 1677.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. The Steamship

name of Mesters & Hulse has this day "PENGUIN," signature of the Firm will henceforth be W. C. COWELL, Commander, will leave for the above Porta on THUKSDAY, the 18th inst., at 8 p.m. Despatches will close at 2.80 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, January 18, 1877. FOR COOKTOWN.

The British Steamer "THALES," Captain Cours, will load here for the above Port, and will leave on MONDAY, the 22ad Instant, at 2 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to HOP KEE & Co.

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Hongkong, January 15, 1877. FOR LONDON, VIA BINGAPORE AND PENANG.

The Steamship

Captain Molles, will be der and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-pamed DISPER. DAY, the 23rd Instanty at Moon. SARY will be carried on by the Under-For Freight, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, January 19, 1677.

Steamers.

shipping.

OASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR SHANGHAL

The Steamer expected here on or about the 14th Instant, will have immediate despatch for the above Port. For Freight or Passage, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, January 13, 1877.

FOR COOKTOWN, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer

"SOMERSET" will be despatched as above, rom party APORE, on or about the 4th February next. For Freight or Passage, apply to the Undersigned, who are prepared to grant through Bills of Lading.

Agents. Hongkong, January 10, 1877.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON. (If sufficient Inducement offers.) The 3/3 L. 1. 1. Russian Ship "VANADIS," WERLAND, Master, will load here and have quick despatch For Freight, Sugar or Measurement, VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, January 6, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship "CUTWATER," ORBELMAN, Master, will load here and will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 2, 1877.

FOR HAMBURG. The A 1 Danish Bark "FANO," Captain Norby, will load here and at Whampos, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

YOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, December 2, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 British Bark "TOKATEA, G. HARRISON, Master, have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, November 25, 1876.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 British Bark "MADAME DEMOREST will lead here for the above and will have quick despatch. -

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, November 15, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 American Barque " ANTIOCH, THOMAS MERBILL, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have early

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 8, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The A I British Clipper Barque "UNANIMA;" CAIR, Master, will load here and at Whampon for the above Port, and meet with early despatch,

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 5, 1877.

FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Ship "ENGLAND'S GLORY," KNIGHT, Master, will load here and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co. Hongkong, January 2, 1877.

FOR MANILA. The Spanish Brig Pico, Master, will have quick despatch for the above Port. "SAN LORENZO," For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co. Hongkong, January 6, 1877.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LAND, PROPERTY AND TIMBER,

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (unless previously disposed of by Private Sale) on the Premises at Wanchai, on

the 22nd January, 1877, at Noon,-

GROUND, with the BUILDINGS erected thereon, belonging to

FIRST. That PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND. Registered in the Land Office as MARINE LOT No. 107, adjoining the Police Station No. 2, at Wanchai, with the TWO First Class GRANITE GODOWNS erected

thereon, viz. -GODOWN No. 43, fronting on the Praya 521 feet, by an average of 73 feet Deep. Capacity about 1,300 Tons. Crown Rent, \$51 per

Annum. GODOWN No. 44, adjoining above, Two Stories, also fronting on the Praya 521 feet, by an average of 97 feet Deep. Capacity about 3,000 Tons. Crown Rent, \$69 per

Each Godown, with the Land on which t'is erected, will be put up separately.

That PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND, Registered in the Land Office as MARINE LOT No. 121, at Wanchai, and formerly known as THE HONG-KONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COM-PANY'S YARD, fronting on the Prays. 100 feet, by an average of 144 feet deep, containing 14,400 square feet.

About 86,000 Superficial feet of ORE-

Sundry Lots of TEAK and SINGA-PORE TIMBER, KNEES, WINCHES, BLOCKS,

TERMS OF SALE:

The LAND and GODOWNS .- One-half of the Purchase Money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the Deed of Transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the Purchaser. The Property to be at Purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. The TIMBER and MOVEABLE LOTS .-Cash before delivery in Mexican Dol-

For further Particulars, apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Auctionsers.

Hongkong, January 8, 1877. PUBLIC AUCTION.

MONDAY. the 22nd January, 1877, at 2 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,-A Selection of BOOKS,

AFTER WHICH (For account of the concerned,) L S 26 cases Norwegian BRANDY. B&C (in double triangle) 9 cases Nor-

Prugnac SAUTERNE, Cautenas Charle.

,, 4145 TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Austioneer.

TOBORGE FABRIKKER DANISH BEER,

Hongkong, January 15, 1877: FOR SALE.

Celebrated Brands of WINES and SPIRITS. STRMSSEN & ON

The following PIECES or PAROELS

Mesers S. E. BURROWS & SONS.

Crown Rent, \$180 per Annum.

GON PINE LUMBER, 2, 3 and 4 inches, in Lots to suit Purchasers.

OLD IRON, SCALES.

lars, weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

Comprising the Library of a Gentleman leaving the Colony. Catalogues will be issued.

wegian BRANDY. 64 cases Swedish Punch. St. Julien CLARET.

in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7. 1, 7, All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, January 18, 1877.

TO BE HAD PROM LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, June 23, 1876,

MONDAY,

Notices to Consignees.

S. S. ESMERALDA, FROM MANILA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per above Steamer are hereby requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from Ship's side.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored by the Undersigned at Consignees' risk and ex-

A. MAGG. HEATON, Agent.

Hongkong, January 15, 1877. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. AVA. NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. B. "Gange," from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,

unless intimation is received from the Con signees, before 5 p.m. To-DAY, requesting It to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after FRIthe 19th January, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POURY, Hongkong, January 11, 1877.

NOW READY.

"THE FOLK-LORE OF CHINA.

AND ITS APPINITIES WITH THAT OF THE ARYAN AND SEMITIO BACES. By N. B. Dennys, PH.D. "Instructive and amusing enough to

command a ready sale," - Daily Press, For Sale by Mesars Lane, Chawford & Co. j LAMMERT, ATEINSON & Co.: FALCONER & Co.; MOLWEN, FRICKEL & Co.; GAUPI & Co., and KRUSE & Co.,

Or can be had of the Author, at the CITY HALL, Hongkong. TRUBNER & Co. Shanghal, ... Measra Kelly & Walsh

Price:-Half Bound Roan, \$2.00 Paper Covers,...........\$1.60 Hongkong, December 18, 1876.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO. The Steamship PAULSEN, Master, will be despatched for the above Ports on

THURSDAY, the 18th Instant, at 9 a, m, For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, January 16, 1877.

FOR TAKAO. The German Schooner "AUGUSTE REIMERS," THOMSEN, Master, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 19th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight, apply to-MELCHERS & Co., Hongkong, January 16, 1877.

CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS. BRAEMAR CASTLE,

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

HIS Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed, at their risk, into the Godowns of Mr A. McG. HEATON. whence delivery may be obtained. Consignees wishing to receive their

Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 a.m. To-morrow.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 23rd Instant will be

subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

Hongkong, January 16, 1877.

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Egeria, PAULSEN, Master. having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on. unless notice to the contrary is given before 10 a.m. To-morrow, the 17th Instant. Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SIEMSSEN & Co.,

Hongkong, January 16, 1877.

Not Responsible for Debts.

A Tolther the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels; during their stay

in Hongkong Harbour:---VESTA, German barque, Capt, H. Dirks. -Molchers & Co.

MADAME DEMOREST, British barque, Captain C. H. Bessit, -Gibb, Livingston

Brethoven, German barque, Captain R. Haje. - Melchers & Co. BRIDGETOWN, British barque, Captain

E. W. Urisp.—Amhold, Karberg & Co. FLYING CLOUD, British barque, Captain H. Williams.—Turner & Co.

TRENE, German schooner, Captain O. Hansen.—Carlowitz & Co.

HANTS COUNTY, British barque, Captain G. W. Cochran, -Meyor & Co,

BHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

AJan. 16. Gaelic, British steamer, 1712, Wm. Henry Kidley, San Francisco Dec. and Yokohama Jan. 9, Mails and General.-U. & O. S. S. Co.

Jan. 16, Braemar Castle, British steamer, 1424, W. J. Ayles, London Nov. 22, via ports of call, and Singapore Jan. 7, General. - ADAMSON, BELL & Co. Jan. 16, Egeria, German steamer, 1087,

call, and Singapore Jan. 7, General --SIEMESEN & Co. Jan. 16, Lucre, Slamese barque, 432, M. Colberg, Chefoo Jan. 7, General, -Ont.

Jan. 16, Leonor, British steamer, 408, M. Young, Tamsul Jan. 9, Talwanfoo 11, Amoy 13, and Swatow 15, General .-DOUGLAS LAPRAIR & Co. Jan. 16, H.M.S. Vigilant, from Macao.

DEPARTURES. Jan. 16, Norna, for Swatow. 16. Chinkiang, for Shanghal.

OLEARED.

Killarney, for Guam. Ferdinand, for Manila. Conquest, for Holhow. Hieronimus, for Salgon. Auguste, Ger. bqc., for Singapore. Yesso, for Swatow. Nicolino, for Falmouth. Jylland, for Takow,

> PASSENGERS. ARRIVED.

Per Leonor, from Amoy, &c., Mr J. McMaster, 1 European deck, and 70 Chi Per Gaelic, from San Francisco, 400

Per Braemar Castle, from Straits, 220

Per Egeria, from Singapore, 30 Chinese. DEPARTED. Per Norma, for Swatow, 101 Chinese.

Per Chinkiang, for Shanghai, 80 Chinese. TO DEPART. Per Yesso, for Swatow, 100 Chinese.

shipping reports. The German steamer Egeria reports: Strong N.E. winds with heavy rain squalls and very high sea until reaching Macclesfield Banks, from thence to port fresh

breeze with very high sea, decks constantly full of water. The British steamer Braemar Casile reports: Strong breeze and cloudy weather with heavy sea, from Singapore to arrival. The Siamese barque Lucre reports ! To the Gulf of Pechilistrong Northerly winds with heavy anow-storms. From Shantung Promontory N.E. winds with thick and

hany weather to arrival. The British steamer Leonor reports ! From Tamsui to Taiwaufoo and Amoy, bad fresh monsoon and fine weather. From Amoy to Swatow, moderate monsoon and fine weather. From Swatow to Hongkong, fresh monsoon and cloudy weather. Steamers in Amoy !- Growler and Salvadora, Steamers in Swatow :- Foundow, Yangtene. Atalanta, Hailoong and Feiloong. Off Tongmi Point passed a Steamer bound N., at 3.00 a.m. on 16th passed a Steamer bound N., off Single Island U.S.S. Kearja18 | sarqs bound N.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close :-For MANILA -

Wednesday, the 17th inst. FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO .-Per EGERIA, at 8.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 18th inst.

For MANILA.--Per ESMERALDA, at 11.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 18th inst.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CAL-CUTTA,-

Per ARRATOON APCAR, at 2.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 18th inst. Per PENGUIN, at 2.80 p.m., on Thursday, the 18th inst.

For BANGKOK .-Per DAN UBE, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, the 18th inst.

For SAIGON .--Per NORDEN, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday,

the 19th inst. For COOKTOWN .-Per THALES, at 1.30 p.m., at Monday, the 22nd inst. Mails will also be

and New Zealand, 8 cent rates. For SINGAPORE, PENANG & LON-DON.

made up for E. Australia, Tasmania

Per ALTONA, at 11.30 s.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd inst. MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.-

The English Contract Packet GEELONG. will be despatched with the Malis for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, requires great ingenuity to the 18th Inst. The following will be the hours of closing

the Mails, de :-Wednesday, January 17th,-5 2.M., Money Order Office closes. MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-

The French Contract Packet MEIKONG will be despatched on THURS. DAY, the 25th Instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, vid Marsvilles: to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle. Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Maurithe, Suez, and Alexandria.

ja23 Letters may also be forwarded to India by this Packet, but can be paid only as far as Ceylon. The postage to Coylon must be prepaid. Such letters should be marked Paid to Galls only; they will go on from Galle as unpaid.

> THE S. S. GAELIC, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 1st February, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco the United States and London, which will be closed as follows ;-2 r.m. Registry of Letters coases. 2,30 P.M. Post-Office closes.

2.30 r.m. Cofrespondence may be prated on board the Packet with Late Foo of 12 dents extra Postage

2.50 P.M. which the Mail is finally dissed.

Charters Effected.

The following settlements have been offected since last Report was published!-German bark Vesta, 602, Whampon to Tameni and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 56 cents per picul, 35 lay days. German bark Gustay Adolph, 279, Hong.

63 cents per picul, 35 lay days. German bark Brema, 380, hence to Halphong and back, \$2,000 in full, 35 lay days. British schooner Tuliochgorum, 175, hence to Haiphong and back, \$1,250 in full, 80 lay days. British schooner Syringa, 242, hence to

Haiphong and back, \$1,550 in full, 35 lay German bark Ferdinand, 416, Manila to London or Liverpool, private.

German schooner Amanda, 225, Iloilo to P. Paulson, London Nov. 14, via ports of New York or Boston, private. German bark Hansa, 499, hence Channel for orders to a Port in the United Kingdom or on the Continent, private. German schooner San Francisco, 250,

hence to Singapore, \$425 in full. German bark Auguste, 284, hence

Singapore, \$650 in full. Danish brig Jylland, 267, Takao Yokohama, 321 cents per picul, and New chwang to Hongkong, 221 cents per picul British bark Marquis of Argyle, 500 Saigon to Sourabaya, 85 cents per picul, 20

lay days. British brig Hieronymus, 252, Haigon to Sourabaya, 85 cents per picul, 15 lay days and hence to Saigon, \$400 in full. British bark Unanima, 746, Whampon t New York, private. British bark | lying Cloud, 343, Bangkok

to Bombay (Timber), Rs. 24 per ton of 50

British bark Antioch, 647, hence to San Francisco, private. British steamer Ocean, 971, Saigon Madras, 60 cents per picul, and hence Salgon, \$2,100 in full, 6 lay days. British steamer Thales, 820, hence Cooktown, (Monthly Charter), private.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW Shipping.

Daylight. - Yesso leaves for Swato Amoy and Boochow. Notice of Optional Cargo per Brasman Castle to be given before 10 a.m. Notice of optional cargo per Egeric to be given before 10 a.m.

HONGKONG DISPENSARY Established A.D. 1841.

2 p.m. - Salvadora leaves for Manila.

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Per SALVADORA, at 1.80 p.m., on The publication of this issue commenced at 7.50 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JAN. 16, 1877.

RARELY indeed has a judgment emanating from the Supreme Court of this Colony given such general dissatisfaction among the two classes mainly interested as the one pronounced on Saturday last in the case of the Mount Washington. Even if based upon the soundest principles of law, and supported by the clearest evidence of the intentions of the contracting parties, it would have been felt to be a hardship on one of the two uncontemplated at the time of the making of the contract. But founded as the decision was upon a legal quibble, in utter contravention of the parol evidence offered to explain the intentions of the parties to the contract by the only one of them produced in Court, and in open deflance of the opinions of the three Exchequer Barons, expressed in their devision upon case so precisely similar that out the line of deviation, it is rightly deemed by many that an injury has been inflicted by this decision on the shipping business of the Colony exceeding by far the amount of damages awarded under it. The facie of the case as they came before the Court were briefly there. The American ship Mount Washington was chartered in Hamburg by the firm of Messrs Pustatt & Co. for a expression objected to by Capt. Perkins voyage to Hongkong, for the sum \$1,600 in full. The ship brought out Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Rennion, some 3,000 tons of general cargo, the master accepting the very moderate rate of freightage offered, in his desire place his ship in these waters, where he believed good business awaited him. the first memo, of charter presented to for approval the words occurred "ship to be consigned to charterers correspondents, inwards and outwards. To these the master objected on the ground that he wished to be free in Hongkong to take the best business he could get: He so expressed himself to the charterer, and it was finally agreed

from Hamburg, his ship should

the port of discharge and a sepulturation

kong to Tientsin and back via Newchwang, | paid for their assent to this principle. Now Lord Tenterden says in regard to charter-parties, Part IV. c. 1. Sec. 4.

"The general rule which our Courts of Law have adopted in the construction of this as well as other mercantile instruments is that the construction should be liberal. agreeable to the real intention of the parties and conformable to the usages of trade in The intentions of the parties were proved

by the parol evidence of one of them,

which evidence was not contradicted by

the other side, although it is said that

one of the partners in the Hamburg house at the time of charter was in Hongkong on the day of trial. The object of having a ship free in this port is to enable those interested in her to take business from firms whose sole remuneration from the business offered is the commission accruing from the charter of the ship. Thus a ship consigned to Smith, and obliged to pay him a commission if she takes business at the port, cannot accept a charter from Brown, or Jones, or Robinson, unless it is so good a one that she can afford to pay a double the pioneer English newspaper in Japan's commission. This a free ship is not liable to be compelled to pay. That the Mount Washington contemplated loading home from Manila is more than probable. was the business she had taken on former voyages, and for a ship of her particular class nearly the only one she could afford business is a division of commission between that port and Hongkong. - A. B. at Manila has instructions to ship hemp and sugar at such and such quotations. When they reach his figure he writes to C. D. at Hongkong to charter him a vessel of the capacity required, the commissions on the charter to be half to each. C. D. in looking for a ship, naturally prefers a free one, from whom he can get the full commission of 5 per cent. instead of dividing it with local consignees and then again with his Manila friend, a process that leaves him only 11 per cent, at the outside, for his trouble. Neither he nor his friend pay the freight and it is manifestly more to their advantage to offer a free ship a little more than they could get one for consigned to another firm. The free ship therefore is in a better position in this way than if compelled either to accept lower terms or pay double commission, when bound to any particular firm. It was therefore lator. clearly for the interest of the owners of the Mount Washington that they should pay a commission of 21 per cent, on small inward freight of £1,600, than render themselves liable to one of 5 per cent, on an outward one of some \$30,000 But this clause in the charter-party became inoperative. While on the voyage out the owners chartered the vessel to load at Iloilo for the United States. The most specious of all the special pleaders in the Temple could scarcely say that this was business accepted by the ship at

cases ? The answer naturally suggests itself, by precedent and by usage. "On points respecting which the language employed by them is ambiguous or respecting which they have been silent, proof of a course and practice of trade which must have been known to them may be received as a means of discovering their real intention. law presumes in such cases that they did not mean to commit to writing the whole of the contract by which they intended to be bound, but to contract on the understanding that known usages might be imported into their agreement to explain what its terms have left doubtful and to effect their object where it has not been expressed." (Tentorden on Charter-parties, Part IV c. 1.)

Hongkong. His Lordship says it will

bear either interpretation. We bow

respectfully to His Lordship's fiat, but

confess that, in common with most of the

Colony, we cannot subscribe to the doc-

trine. But admitting for the sake of

argument that it is capable of such dual

accordance with the rights of both, by

what course do tribunals of justice

generally arrive at conclusions in such

The course and usage of trade Hongkong under all circumstances has been, that, on the charter of ships effected by the owners at home, the local consignees have no claim for commission. This was distinctly stated by Mr Nicaise, the well-known merchant, and the only entirely disinterested witness examined

on either side. As to precedent the case cited for the plaintiff Cross v. Pagliano was so exactly in point, that we fail to follow the learned Judge in his reasons for its rejection. In that case the ship was loaded in Great Britain for San Francisco, and consigned at that port to charterer agents "inward and ontward," the and for a modification of which he gave a consideration. Before the voyage commeticed the ship was chartered to load at Selina Crus in Mexico, and the master consequently refused business offered by the consignees at San Francisco. In an action brought against the owners for damages for breach of charter the Court found for the owners, the Barons assigning reasons for their judgment good and sound everywhere except in Hongkong. One of the parties to this suit has been fortunate during the last twenty years in obtaining from our law courts two very remarkable decisions one that the agents of a ship in charterthat if the master would pay a commis- ing her here, and receiving a commission are bound to make good any lesses on of 24 per cent, on the freight the part of the charterer to the owners who pay the commission, if the charterer left free, though the charterer stipube tinable to carry out the provisions of lated that his correspondents should his contract and now this one. We have the preference over any outside firm doubt whether the already attenuated if the ship accepted business at Hongbusiness of the port will be improved by kong, provided they (the charterers' such departures from the principle of agents) could offer equal inducements to commercial usage, even when they are charter. Here we have notice to charsigned and sealed by the Hon, Mr Justerers of the ship's desire to be free at

tion Sporter

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE steamer City of Peking arrived at San Francisco on Dec. 12th, 27 days from Hongkong and 16 days from Yokohama.

WE are requested to state that, until further notice, the Band of the 28th Regiment will not play in the Public Gardens.

WE are glad to note that with the beginning of the present year, our contempo ary, the Diario de Manila has considerably increased in size.

REUTER'S TELEGRAM. Shanghai, 15th January, 1877. At a meeting of shareholders the sale of the S. S. Navigation Company to the Chinese Merchants' Steam Navigation Company was

THE first number of the Tokio Times. Capital, has reached us, and seems to be a very creditable publication. It partakes, however, more of the nature of a review than a newspaper. The articles are al smoothly and sensibly written. The chief Ir may not be uninteresting to hear what a ones in this number are "Japan and respectable California paper thinks of the to accept. The usual course of Manila Rome in the seventeenth century," "The C. O. Whitmore agitation; and we there-Empire," and the first instalment of a fore append what the Alta says about the series of papers on the foreign legations in meeting :- "The European and American the country.

> THE articles which appeared in successive numbers of the Far East from the pen of Mr R. F. Martins, entitled " Manners and Customs of the Chinese at Macao," bave been collected and published in a neat volume at the Celestial Empire Office, Shanghai. The papers are mainly transla tions from a work published in Macao in 1867 by Mr Manuel de Castro Sampalo, under the title of "Os Chins de Macao," and although the translations have few literary pretensions, they afford most interesting reading matter. The book is tastefully and excellently printed, and is embellished with a portrait of the trans-

Cornestondent favours us with another method of manufacturing spurious dollars, in addition to those we mentioned yesterday. He says-"To make two bad dollars by this plan three good ones are nesessary. One face of each of two of the three good dollars is destroyed, being out out, leaving the milling and a very thin face intact. Now the third good dollar has both faces sliced off, and these are fitted on to the two others which were hollowed out and filled up with lead. Of course the manufactured dollar is more bulky than a silver dollar, because of the comparative lightness of lead. There is about 25 per cent. of silver in this counterfeit. A skilful manipulator can make about twenty in one interpretation and that the Court is called upon to decide which is most in day,"

> THE Entertainment given at the Temperance Hall last evening passed off ver satisfactorily, although the attendance was not quite so numerous as usual; we can assure the absentees, however, that they lost a musical treat. The Rev. Mr Baynes was again in the chair, and kept everyone in good humour by his good-natured and quaint remarks. Two ladies very kindly contributed to the evening's amusement by playing two duets ("Pretty Birds" and "Irlsh Melodies") and won very deserved applause. There was also a violin and Pianoforte duet (Potpourri "Dinorah,") and two Solos with Choruses (" Row your boat" and "Down the river,") all of which were much enjoyed. These, with two or three recitations, a humorous reading, and one or two songs, made up a very attractive and enjoyable programme. The meeting separated about 10 o'clock,

THE November - December issue (No. 3, Vol. V.) of the China Review, published about a week since, contains much that is both interesting and useful to the general reader, as well as a fair amount of strong meat for the sinologists. Mr Watters ske ch of the vocal gestures, and interiortional and imitative utterances of the Chineso is interesting and scholarly enough withal to please both classes of readers while Dr. Bretschneider's elaborate article on intersourse which China had with foreign countries in the fifteenth century, while it surprises all by the extent of the intercourse described, will prove of more direct interest to those who study the Central Asian question. The quaint and suggestive leaf from history which is contributed by Dr. Williams, in his sketch of the Establishment of American Trade at Canton, will be read with pleasure by all whose interests centre in China, by many who have retired to the old countries, and by some who look upon the whole question as it were from outside and as a matter of merely historical record. We should have been better pleased, however, had the worthy Doctor given more of his own personal experiences and opinions. Mr Stent's vertion of the Beater's Song is not only a thyme-making which is more sublitions Walton with seneral carge, and released to

than most of his previous translations The decisions arrived at by native judges touching the law of Inheritance in China, contributed by Mr Chal, Alabaster, throw light on a subject which is very little known amongst foreigners, and will probably raise the estimation in which the judicial decrees of China are held by all those who read them. In the Short Notices of New Books, evidences of the same straightforward, hearty and sometimes severe critic'sm are apparent; and amongst the Notes and Queries there are two very important additions to our stock of information, viz., the note on the Validity of Chinese Marriages, and that descriptive of the various kinds of Money Loan Associations. The Number is, we think, above the average in interest.

THE Alta California of the 14th December says :-- "The steamer Oceanic left Yokohams on the 12th instant, and we would not be astonished if she attempted to beat the 154-day trip of the Poking. She is justabout the boy to do it." From telegraphic the sequel it would appear that the "boy" has done it, and done it well.

residents at Hongkong have been greatly excited over the cruelties practiced on the American bark C. O. Whitmore, on her voyage from Cardiff to that port, by which her second mate Elwood was beaten and tortured to death and a number of her crew were maimed. Indignation meetings were held, in which both Captain Peabody and his mate were scored unmercifully. These are quite common occurrences, and we regret exceedingly to state that in nine cases out of ten they occur on American vessels. Is it the fault of our authorities, who deal so leniently with the offenders P'

> Police Intelligence. (Before the Hon. C. May.) 16th January, 1877.

Tam Apang and two others were charged. the first by Hon Apak master of a Sam-shu shop with tendering him three spurious dollars for bottles of sam-shu.

The Shroff of the Court pronounced them to be counterfeits, but after further examination found them to be good dollars. The prisoners were discharged and told they left the Court without a stain on their

STEALING A FOWL. Tang Awah, a coolie, was sent to one month's hard labour for stealing a fowl in Circular Pathway, the property of Yip Afat residing there.

Chun Ayan, a hawker, was charged by a Siamese seaman named Cham on board the Siamese bark Rapid with coming on board last night and attempting to steal a drum of oil about five gallons. The charge was proved, and he was sent to 4 months' hard

THREATENING THE POLICE. Cheung Lai Cheong, Tally man, was charged by P.C. Seir with inciting the craws of twenty junks to beat him and throw him and his Chinese police with him into the sea and drown them. The Constable said in consequence of a report made by the Captain of the S. S. Norden he was sent to drive away twenty junks which were hanging on to the steamer, as it was blowing hard at the time. They would not go, and the prisoner called out to the crews of the unks "Tah" "tah," throw the police overboard into the water; he did not care for the police or the Governor.

The charge was supported by the coxwain of the police-boat, and the prisoner who denied the charge was fined in the sum of \$200, in default six months' hard labour.

Kwong Achan, a boatman, was charged by Kwong Acheong, master of a trading junk, with assaulting him because he refused to give him money hone being then due to him. He was fined \$5.

A MALICIOUS ACT. Chung Akwong, a shop coolie, went on board a fishing junk at Aberdeen and asked Yip Yee hing the master for fish, and because he refused to give it he out the ropes of his fishing nets. He was fined \$5.

ALLEGED. LAECENY.

Tse Asam, a silversmith, passenger on the

5.6. Gaelic, was charged with stealing \$15001 worth of gold dust from a fellow-passenger on board. The case was remanded until the 17th instant. A DESERTING CONSTABLE. Wong Achik, a Chinese constable, was charged by Inspector Cameron with deserting from the force on the 3rd instant, he

being sworn in for four years. The consta-

ble said he intended to come back, he was

cick and did not want to go to the Civil Hospital. He was fined in the sum of \$100. Chung Assm, a stone-outter, assaulted the master of a stone junk because he asked him for money in advance of work being done.

He was fined \$5.

SUPREME COURT. IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. (Before His Lordship Chief Justice Big) JOHN SHALE.

January 10, 1872. Browns & Another v. Alabor & Another

\$12,807.92. The following are the Special Jurors !-Measrs A. Newton, H. Hoppius, H. Cope, H. L. Dalrymple, O. Kahn, T. G. William.

con and F. D. Sassoon. Mr Russell resumed his address on behalf of the plaintiffs. He argued on the point of the plaintiffs acting on the pergood story well told, but is clover place of mission of the defendants in filling up the

cited several cases. firm of Browne & Co. at Kobe, was called we got some money back from the conand deposed as follows :- I joined the firm | tractors, part of the bargain money, through at the end of 1871. I was employed pre- the tribunal. We got back \$1,450. I did vious to that by Alt & Co. since 1868, and not get back possession of about 3,000 subsequently by M. Hienemann & Co. the bags which were filled with rice. successors of Alt & Co. I was agent of result of the judgment of the Japanese the defendants after 1 joined the firm of tribunal was nothing. Browne & Co. We were Instructed by letter from the defendants to buy rice for sent to Osaka from Kobe, to look after certain rice purchases made on account of seen the parties. the defendants. Osaka is the rice producing district. The contracts were made at our office in Kobe. We made four contracts in all with some Japanese. They were written contracts. I have got two of them here. These were dated 19th and 20th December, 1873, (produced)

The Acting Attorney General objected to the reception of the contracts as evidence. on the ground that the plaintiffs had no to the Captain's notice, on the 27th Februauthority to make the contracts for the defendants. They were, however, ultimately to take in cargo on that day, so we refused

admitted. tions. They were translated by H. B. M. Consular agent at Kobe. The contracts then to receive a cargo of rice. The lay were signed in our office and were sealed was paid on the contracts. \$4,500 were 29 days' demurrage; during all this time paid in one sum. I know the amount | we used all diligence to fill her. Finally, was paid, but don't remember seeing it there were about 150 tons altogether tracts for rice, and pargain money was paid on board the reach. We purchased some chinese houses at the back of Kin-lee- Press, on each. I do not know as to a rule of more in the market, about 210 tons, shortly is quite as it should be so far as concerns the some Chinese houses at the back of Kin-lee- Press, and the not know as to a rule of more in the market, about 210 tons, shortly is quite as it should be so far as concerns the some Chinese houses at the back of Kin-lee- Press, and the not know as to a rule of more in the market, about 210 tons, shortly is quite as it should be so far as concerns the some Chinese houses at the back of Kin-lee- Press, and the not know as to a rule of more in the market, about 210 tons, shortly is quite as it should be so far as concerns the some Chinese houses at the back of Kin-lee- Press, and the not know as to a rule of more in the market, about 210 tons, shortly is quite as it should be so far as concerns the some Chinese houses at the back of Kin-lee- Press, and the not know as to a rule of more in the market, about 210 tons, shortly is quite as it should be so far as concerns the some Chinese houses at the back of Kin-lee- Press, and the notion of the normal shortly is quite as it should be so far as concerns the some Chinese houses at the back of Kin-lee- Press, and the normal should be so far as concerns the shortly in the normal shortly in t percentage of bargain money to be paid, before her departure, about a month before. steamer and the patient, but I would ask youn. It was rather an awkward place, but the usual oustom is to pay 10 per cent. of the contract amount as bargain money. I went to Usaka on the 4th January. One European, a godown-keeper, named Warburton, went before me. We had not then any establishment at Usaka. I went there to look after these rice contracts. I remained at Osaka up to April or May. Osaka is about 20 miles from Kobe by land, but about 14 miles by sea. Warbur- Captain £408 for difference in freight as per ton was to look after the shipment of the charter party. This was a loss in conserice and its bagging. We were obliged to quence of having to take in a general cargo. pay bargain money because we could not The amount of demurrage was £290, but do without it. We have made a rice con- we paid only £250 to the Captain. tract since then, and we paid bargain mo- difference was made up by our giving up ney on it. We have made only one actual purchase since then. I am not aware of with the ship we credited the ship with only any contract for rice where an actual pur- 25 days' demurrage. This was somewhat chase was made, which was done without bargain money being paid. It is the custom in Kobe to pay bargain money on contracts. A contract for purchase of rice is not considered binding without bargain money. During my stay at Osaka, there was a difficulty in getting the rice supplied. went to many godowns and saw the rice stored there, the rice belonging to the Japanese sellers in these four contracts. I remember the Araby Maid coming to defendants. Kobe, thence to Osaka, She arrived on the 17th January 1874. She began to load

comprised the rice on the contract first produced, and of rice mentioned in the first and third contracts. As I got delivery of rice from day to day, payments had to be made by me by cheques on the Oriental Bank at Osaka. Page 42 of the printed correspondence contains an account of the different payments made and of interest thereon at 8 per cent. per annum. These payments were for rice shipped in both the Araby Maid and Walton. These accounts were included in the invoices sent to our firm the \$200; therefore our firm lost Were included in the live on the first this \$200. But we recouped ourselves by discount. and third contracts, obtained on behalf of the defendants. The rice on these contracts went by the Araby Maid. A portion of the ship's account. the second contract went by the Araby Maid. none went by the Walton. None of the 4th contract rice went by the Araby Maid, and so much of it as was delivered went by the Walton. We could not get all the rice on this contract. There was a quantity of rice which we had already bagged, but we could not get delivery of from the Japanese. The bags were ours. There were about 3,600 bags which we could never get paid for. They are worth about We were instructed by the defendants by letter to bag the rice in Canton mats, vide letter No. 18 in printed correspondence. We never recovered any money for those bags. In the course of our taking delivery of the rice from the Japanese One Bank. We deposited \$5,000 with this bank, in their rice department at Osaka. I deposited this money in order to get delivery of the rice bagged. When I subject, and if I not deposited some money

We contracted for the rice at \$2.20; but custom in Japan was delivery of rice to be the bank valued it much higher, viz. about \$2.70, the then value. We did not receive the difference between \$4,550 and the \$5,000 we deposited, losing thereby \$450. We failed to get nearly half of the quantity of rice we had contracted for, and all the defalcations were on the 2nd and 4th contracts. We applied to the Consul at Osaka, Mr Annesely, for assistance, and he entered into correspondence with the Japanese authorities, and accompanied me personally was very lengthy (certified copies of some supplied to the defendant at his orders. put in, but they were objected to by the attorney General on the ground that he

The quantity of rice was about 3000 bags.

had not seen the documents before.) The Court was then adjourned till 2.40 p.m.; meantime the counsel for the defence were to peruse the letters.

pondence on the non-fulfilment of the hands of Messrs Morrison & Co., their agents

Consultant the subject about 30 times in | Hongkong he found the account was still reference to this matter. I went personally unpaid, and then learnt that the defendant to the Saibansho, the native tribunal.

irregular for the witness to have gone to refer the matter to arbitration, but the to the tribunal in the way he did for defendant would not abide by the award, so he might have been imprisoned for contempt of Court if he had gone to an English

the telegrams and letters on the subject. | went there. . I went there on this occasion He next addressed the Court on the to get the authorities to give us justice. . 1 mode of financiering, and quoted also from had made all the representations I could, the pamphlet of correspondence. He then and the Consul also did all in his power to induce the authorities to get the contractors Mr MacPherson, resident manager of the | to carry out their contracts. Eventually

Referring to the Japanese Treaty with England, his Lordship ascertained that the them, and in consequence of this I was Consul was bound to arrange the matter amicably. He saked if the Consul had

Witness replied that he had not, but that witness had done all he could according to the treaty.

Continued :-- We had to pay demurrage to the Walton, because we could not get rice to fill her in time. (Charter-party of Walton put in) the lay days were 30 days. The Walton arrived on the 17th February 1874, and the lay days commenced according

ary. We found the vessel was not ready to accept the notice. We arranged that the Continued :- I produce also the transla- lay days should commence on the 2nd March, and the ship was in good condition days expired on the 4th April-Sundays the seals were really the binding having been excepted. She was loaded full on the 6th of May, and we incurred We paid \$2.70 a pioul. We filled the remaining space of the Walton with general cargo. We put her out as a general ship. We chartered her originally at £4 per ton, if discharged in the United Kingdom, or \$4, 5% per ton if to Continent. We had to enter into an arrangement with the Captain for taking in a general cargo -measurement cargo. We had to pay the our commission. In our current account irregular, as the item of £290 should appear

on both sides. Mr Russell observed that the transaction was perfectly honest, though somewhat irregular; the Captain gave up four days' demurrage, while the plaintiffs would not

exact their commission. His Lordship said if the plaintiffs were generous to forego their commission, they should not have charged it against the

The witness replied that this was irregular but was not an error. They wanted to very soon after she arrived. She finished shew that the ship was not charged with loading on the 6th of March. The rice any commission. This was to make the with which the Araby Maid was loaded thing look nice. The plaintiffs took the £40 from the Captain, and paid it over to the defendants.

His Lordship said he did not understand this apparent generosity, but he dared say the Jury understood it.

The Jury said the account current with the defendants should be amended by the substitution of £250 for £290, and the \$200 commission given up should be credited to Alabor & Co.

By the Jury :-- The Captain did not pay charging the defendants with 29 days demurrage instead of 25 which appeared in

The Jury called for the ship's account, which they thought would explain the matter, and on looking it over, observed that they did not see the item of \$200 at

all in the ship's account. Witness said this \$200 was for inward commission. Therefore it did not appear in the account of the outward voyage. This inward commission had nothing to do

with the defendants. The Jury said they were satisfied that the account was quite correct in result, though the figures did not shew it. The item was only wrongly expressed in words. In reply to the Jury, witness said the ship was chartered at Yokohama by his firm by telegraph, and the ship was concontractors, we came in contact with the signed to them at Kobe. They earned this commission on the voyage from Yokohamato Kobe. She had a general cargo from London, and Browne & Co. had to discharge it. Witness was then examined as to the acapplied to the contractors for delivery of counts of the Araby Maid. He was then the rice we had bagged, we found that this examined as to the quality of the rice his bank had asserted a lien on it, and I went firm bought for the defendants. He said and saw a manager of the bank on the samples had been sent to them as mentioned in letter No. 9. He had tried to get in advance, I could not have got delivery sufficient to fill the Walton, but failed, and In consequence of this deposit offered to come to an arrangement with the they began to deliver the contractors as to the quantity above that. rice we had bagged. They delivered rice Witness produced a letter of credit of to the worth of \$4.550 and then stopped. Lewenz and cachs, of London. Browns & Co. drew on it against abipments. The

> made in 30 to 35 days. The examination in chief of this witness having been closed, the case was adjourned till Thursday next, the 18th instant, at 10 a.m., to-morrow being a mail day.

> > IN SUMMARY JURISPICTION. (Before Mr Justice Snowden.) Jan. 18, 1877.

\$222.47.—This was a claim for some lamps

Mr Sharp appeared for the defendant. From the evidence of Mr D. R. Crawford, it appeared that in the year 1874 when he was about to go home, the defendant, who was known to him previously, asked him to get some lamps out for him from England and handed him some patterns. Witness took When the Court resumed, the correst the drawings home and placed them in the contracts on the part of the Japanese was in London. They were then given to Mesers Bishop & Con who manufactured the lamps Examination continued :-- I had seen the and sent them out. On plaintiff's return to refused to take delivery, alleging that they Mr Russell, in reply to an observation were not made according to pattern. There by the Attorney General that it was were numerous breakages, and it was agreed

they had to come to Court Mr Fairbairn proved that the packages Judge in this way, said that there were were opened in the plaintiffs' shop in the lawyer in that Court. There were no take delivery, but witness insisted on his lent Test to get him out of prison for debt. The great priso in the twelfth (extraordiant) The Consul frequently doing so, as the lamps were ordered on his and that the latter placed the articles found party) drawing for 1878, of the Manile Continued on his and that the latter placed the articles found party)

auction by the order of the defendant.

They were ordered to be of the largest size, reach them. The Chehsien knows perfectly one-thousand, two five-hundred and seven best quality with the glass of certain thick- well, as we pointed out some time ago, that one-hundred dollars prizes have, however, ness and the figures out in a certain way. the men have gone away to their homes in been drawn by holders of numbers in Yoko-They were for a mandarin in Canton, and other provinces, far out of Tsai's reach even hama. the plaintiffs were told so. No limit as to if he knew their addresses. The Taotai has price was given and drawings were given to not, we believe, yet ventured an opinion on Mr Crawford. Several pieces of glass were | the matter, and rather dreads the necessity given by way of samples as to the kind of for doing so. He is believed to appreciate figure wanted. On arrival, however, the the merits of the case, but to be willing to lamps were found to be totally different screen the Chehsien if that can be arranged. in size, thickness of glass, and in figuring. Many were also broken, and the person at Canton refused to accept them. Mr Sharp contended that there was an implied warranty. The defendant was then examined

as to the above particulars. Mr Fairbairn, in answer to the Court, said he attributed the damage to the bad packing, and not to any sea risk. Mr Crawford said he was sure he took

down the defendant's verbal order at the time he spoke to him. His Lordship reserved judgment.

CORRESPONDENCE.

PREVENTION &c. To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, 16th January, 1877. SIR,-I understand that on board the ened for several months had been of a less ornamental character, but more in keeping with the rough wall below it, enough might perhaps have been saved to help us considerably with the Surgeons'

Manila. Dec. 30, 1876.

Our trade for this last fortnight sums up as follows :---

Imports from 16th to 29th December.-Hemp 23,031 pols., Indigo 246 boxes, Rice 12,480 cavs., Sugar 9,907 pols., Coffee 1,270 pols., M. O. P. Shell 48 pols., Sapanwood 1.946 pels.

Exports from 17th to 29th December .-Hemp 15,362 pcls., Indigo 529 ewts, Gum Copal 202 pels., Sugar 53,553 po's., Coffee 2,468 pels., Cigars 4 187 mil., Hides 820 pole., Soap 75 owts, Rope 19,277 pcls. Sapanwood 4,083 pels., Leaf Tobacco 2,000

Exchange.—On Hongkong (sight) 3 per cent. discount; Amoy (sight) 12 per cent. Freights. -The German barque Panama,

for Falmouth, at £2.15 per ton of 50 cubic feet of Leaf Tobacco. The British ship Fire Queen, for London,

at £3.2.6 Sugar and £4.2.6 Hemp. The British barque Kirkland, for London via Cebu, at £3 5 Sugar and £4.5 Hemp. Out of 6-300 mill Cigars offered for sale at auction on the 19th inst., 2,461 mill sold for a total value of \$30,944.80, includ-

ing \$121 80 of premiums. On the 23rd the register of inscriptions for vessels to convey 15,930 quintals of Leaf Tobacco to Spain, out of which 3,930 quintals were from Manila, and 12,000 quintals from Cebu, was closed without any proposition having offered itself The prices were 29 and 37 rls. vellon of freight per quintal for the Manila lot in Sailing

vessels and Steamers respectively and 28 and 34 for the Goba Stock. Arrivais.-Dec. 16, Ziba and Panama from Hongkong, Armida from Amoy, Sheldrake from Labuan : 17, Rebecks and Otto. from Amoy; 20, Mariveles from Singapore, and Salvadora from Amoy | 24 Tallsman from Hongkong | 25 Harriet H. Carleton and Fire Queen, from Hongkong | 29

Kirkland from Hongkong. Departures. - Dec. 16, Panay for Singapore i 17, June for Falmouth i 19, Zamboangs for Hongkong and Amoy, and Sheldrake; 20, Minna for Slasi; Esmeralda for Hongkong and Amoy 23. Obed Baxter for New York, and El for Falmouth; 24, Gloria for Liverpool via Singapore and Cadiz; 25, N. Constante for Hongkong; 29, Columba for

Liverpool, and Leyte for Hongkong and Shipping in Harbour, -Roodee, Vicenta, Midnight, Teresa, Flores de Maria Mindoro, Villa de Rivadavia, Minerva, Eduard May, Oneats, Ziba, Armida, Panama, Rebecka, Otto, Salvadora, Harriet H.

Carleton, Fire Queen and Kirkland. Il ilo, 19th December -Superior Sugar, at \$4.60 with upward tendency. Rice in Lane, Crawford & Co. v. Lee Apul, small lats, some sales have taken place at mand .- Mercantile Review.

SHANGHAL . .

We hear that the case of the lodgings house keeper is still a source of considerable werry to the Taotai, and of angry contention | Hodges, H.B.M. Consular Constable, rebetween his two flery old subordinates, the Mixed Court and the City Magistrates. We mentioned some time ago that a despatch had been addressed by Mr. Medhurst to the Taotai on the subject, and that the latter had called upon the Chehsien for a report on the case: We hear that this document has during the past week has been fine and milds been sent in, and that in it the Chehalen Range of temperature 22 to 52 . F. Preadheres to his own view of the case, wishes to release Chu Ynn-lung (the mandarin with cocasional snow-squalls: For the last lodger) and to "make an example" of five days we have had a continuous thaw. Teal Chun-sang, the unhappy lodging-house On the 2nd instant, the Miten Bishi Mail Board; Miller's friends insist that these keeper who has been the object of perseous Steam Ship Co; gave a dinner in Japanese tion. He affirms the whole case to have style at Masingata to which most of the been trumped up by the latter, because Chu Witness replied that there was a French were broken and the defendant refused to pressed for money which he had previously shippers were invited:

produce the men whom he alleges were holder attained the object of the ambition of profits, and stockholders cannot be reimbursand the lamps were afterwards sold by ing the orders of the Court by refusing to Mr Sharp said the defence was that the robbed in his house; as if the poor wretch lamps were not made according to pattern. wouldn't be too glad to do so if he could ambition of speculators in lotteries. One

> (Courier.) steamers are beginning to experience some sailing vessels. difficulty in crossing the bar at Hunter Island. The Peking, which arrived on the 2nd instant, was obliged to put back and discharge some of her cargo at Kinkiang, was filled to an extraordinary degree with a before she could get over. The Plymouth | red slimy matter floating on the water, it Rock, on her way up, was unable to pass presented during the day the appearance of Olyphant Island, and the Nanking left red paint; upon inquiry we were informed this remarkable canvass that has just closed. Hankow on the morning of 4th instant, to that it was sardine spawn, Iwashi wwo no I understand these greetings here to-night render her assistance.

why the case is brought into the town and the firemen had some little difficulty in

To take one instance, if the balustrade at that bricks, bales, and firemen were all energy and perseverance displayed .- Rising Castle Road with which we have been threat- toppled pell-mell into the creek. The men Sun and Nagasake Express. were not hurt, however, and we believe continued their exertions. The fire was got under about four o'clook.

A Correspondent, suffering evidently from something unpleasant on the brain, sends us the following eccentric conundrum: "Why is Kennington Oval like a three-cornered The reply of course is obvious, "Because neither of them is Eaton Square Comment is superfluous; but we like to encourage local wit.

The volcano on Vries Island is reported to be in a state of activity. Nagasaki is not to be outdone by Kiôto,

as an Exhibition is to be opened at the former place on the 16th March next, and remain open for 100 days. The Mary Fraser went on the slip at it was found that she had sustained no S.S. Gaelic, Commander Kidley, 30 days She is from the Amoor river, and comes to damage by going ashore in Akashi Straits from San Francisco.

beyond losing about half of her false keel

and having her timbers somewhat scratched. A letter has been sent by the Hon, Secretary of the Amateur Athletic Association to the athletes of Hongkong, Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai, inviting them to compete in athletic sports to be held in April next, immediately after the Interport Boat Race. It is notified that the land tax for Yezo will for the present be settled at 1 per cent

per annum on the value of the land. Two cadets of the Naval College have been allowed to enter on board in the German man-of-war Vineta for instruction. A person named Hirobs is about to employ

a Chinaman and open a school at Owari-cho, Tôkiô, and will also publish a magazine entitled the Nissei Shinpô. It is rumoured that some disturbance occurred in Koohi ken (Tosa) and that the

Governor has fled to escape the violence of The duty received at Yokohama Custom House during last year amounted to about

1.534,200 yen. Business during the past year was worse than it has ever been since the Restoration, and only amounted to three-fifths of that of the previous year.

The Chinese authorities have requested and obtained permission from our Government for H. I. C. M. S.'s ship Kaian to cruise about the coast of Japan.

Coral is obtainable in large quantities on the coast of Tosa, but there have lately been few purchasers for it, which caused great distress among the coral divers. Lately, however, to the great benefit of all concerned a Chinaman bought up all the coral which was on the market.

The British Schooner Rupak was put up at auction this morning (Jan 8th.) by Messra Bourne & Co. The attendance was very of late. good ; and the bidding, while it lasted, was spirited, commencing at \$2,000. The vessel was ultimately knocked down to Capti Schmidt, of the Kuroda, for the sum of imposed by the British Consular Court, in the following effect: They said the contracts 68,800, subject, of course, to the provision which the Court retained the power of ace furnish a legal means for making an end of cepting the bid or ordering another cale. Another quick trip is reported hence to

November, arrived at her destination on the In addition, the Paname Transit Company, 12th of December, after a passage of 17 days

After an absence of 14 days turned on Saturday last in the Tashei-marti his mission to the Bonin Islands There are coventyonine foreigners of various nationalities on the islands, exclusive of

Hakodate, Jan. 4th, 1877 The Weather vailing winds have been from the N.N.W. foreign residents and Japanese and Chinese

speculate holder attained the object of the

The Hochi-shinbun says that about ten cadets from the Marine School of the Mitsu Bishi Steam-ship Company will proceed to England in the Niigata-maru and Takasagomaru, when those vessels leave, in order to receive practical lessons in seamanship. A number of other students from the same school will also be detached for vessels We hear on very good authority that the plying in the inland sea. A number of present Tao-t'ai of Hankow, Li, has been sailing vessels are about to be built by the promoted to the post of Provincial Judge of | Company on foreign plans. The machinery Fu-kien. It is not known when he will of the Puko-maru, Kanagawa-maru, Genrioloave, or who is to be appointed as his suo- maru, and two or three other steamers will cessor. The river is falling rapidly and the be taken out, and they will be fitted up as

On Saturday last (23rd ult.) the Harbor Our prediction, a week ago, that the fire- notwithstanding the pale moonlight, the season was about to commence, seems to phosphorescent glare upon the water as it the present condition of the country. In have been fulfilled. Last night (Jan. 8th) was disturbed by the slight breeze had a the excitement that has pervaded the country again, about ten minutes past one, the fire- grand effect. Such a phenomenon has not before and since the election, people of hai yesterday, there was a case of small- bell aroused the community, when it was appeared for many years, and the fishermen ardent temperament have said and done

instead of being taken to Stone-Cutter's coping with the flames. Two engines arrive day morning (29th) at early tide; and to see in their country a Mexicanized Gov-Island. It is said there is no accommoda- ed speedily, but again the creek was dry, judging from her size she must be the tion; but why is there none? The cost of and a deal of time was lost through this largest vessel that can locate on the cradle arranging a couple of wards for the purpose most untoward circumstance. Eventually there. Everything went on successfully, and the additional expense for a Surgeon however water was procured from the river, and by half-past eight she was raised as far and I have sufficient respect and confidence during the few months he would be required but not until a large amount of damage had as it was necessary. Beyond losing about cannot be very heavy, and the advantages been done. Close by, a quantity of mer- half of her false keel, and getting her bottom to believe that they will do the same. I of keeping out of the town all small-pox chandise was stored, including, it is said, well scratched, she does not seem to have was glad to see in a paper this evening an cases which arrive from abroad are surely some kerosene; this flared up brilliantly, sustained much injury. As the New Year article from the London Times respecting too manifest to need comment. A part of and the reflection was seen upon the sky for holidays will prevent the slip people doing Stone Cutter's Island Gaol was at one time a great distance. We are sorry to hear of anything to her, and as no one else is permade use of as a small-pox hospital, and one rather singular casualty, although it mitted to take any of that "cold chicken," one of the military surgeon volunteered, I was unattended with any serious conse- she will have to remain out of water till believe, for a moderate consideration to quences. A wall which four sturdy firemen about the 10th of next month. The owners reside there. I understand the plan answer- were attempting to batter down, unexpected- should consider themselves fortunate that ed admirably. I hope it is not a question of ly, but not unnaturally, fell out instead of more damage was not done, and that the funds, but if it be so the money might very in, and out rolled sundry large bales and vessel grounded on shingles instead of rocks. well be obtained by economy in other matters. packages of goods,—the effect of which was Captain Dexter deserves much credit for the

> During the blow on the night of the 26th, most of the vessels in the harbor dragged their anchors, the Thistle having got unpleasantly convenient to the mud in shore rendering it necessary to get up steam in order to get out of the difficulty. It appears of friendship and good faith." that the anchors supplied to the gunboats are much too light, but we believe that it is intended to supply them with others as soon as they can be got from home. The Mary Fraser was at the time lying at the mouth of the slip, and was blown over on to the north side, nearly disposing of the schooner which has been lying there the last | this port for Mazatlan, where she loaded for few months fitting out, but beyond some trifling damage to her upper works the small craft did not sustain any injury .- Idem.

NEWS BY THE "GAELIC." We are in receipt of Californian files to the 16th Dec. brought on by the O. & O.

The Treasure list of the steamer Gaelic at 3 o'clock on Dec. 15 amounted to about \$500,000, including upward of \$100,000 in should be in to-day (Dec. 15).

A telegram received by the Alta on the 13th from London quotes Silver, 925 fine, at 581d. per oz., which is higher than the monthly average previously since November, 1874. The late purchases in London and also on this coast, for account of the Government now appear to have been rather prices at which they were effected. Linderman reports purchases, at home amounting to about \$5,000,000 and the long, and a single suit of sails, exclusive of highest price paid was 54d. per ounce. is his opinion that the very marked appreciation in the price of Silver recently is due, in a great measure, to the action of this Government in thus largely providing for its coinage operations, and, also, to the China demand, which latter has caused

increased shipments to be made from here on European account. The London price of Silver, 925 fine, is continued (14th) at 581d per ounce. equivalent to 114.920 per ounce, States standard, 900 fine, and places the value of the silver actually contained in two half dollars at 88,120 to-day. Based upon the same computation Trade Dollars contain 90.49c worth of silver. By adding the QUICKSILVER, ... trifling cost of alloy and coining to bullion value of the Trade Dollar, and comparing the same with the present market value of this coin it will be seen that the bullion dealers are reaping a very good There is a scarcity of refined Silver Bare in the market at present, which is attributable to the fact of there being so large an amount kept on deposit at the Mint for coinage into Trades, and more especially to the lessened production of the mines

ANOTHER PACIFIC MAIL BOW. New York, December 14th.—The Tribuns has this about the Pacific Mail quarrel The explanation of the difficulty given by the friends of Vice-President Miller is to Pacific Mail. A heavy monthly payment is exacted by the Panama Railroad Company Ban Francisco. The City of Poking, which which charges the Pacific Mail nearly double the rates exacted from other steamship lines. largely owned by a few Pacific Mail Directore; charges the Pacific Mail for the right to run their steamships between New York and. San Francisco one-half of all the net profits left of the Panama payments. All these representations restentirely on the statements of Vice-President Miller's friends. They also insist that in one of the contracts is a provision that in case Clyde should cease to be President of the Pacific Mail Company, its steamers are then to be chartered to his Penama and Tradeit Company. The debt due from the Pacific Mail to the Panama Company now amounts to nearly \$800,000. The President was elected by a Reform right to searching examination CENTENNIAL FUNDS.

Philadelphia, December 16th.-A bill in equity was filed to-day on behalf of the

account on commission. The plaintiffs ap- in Chu's boxes, in order to manufacture lottery has not come to Yokohama, though of interest, of which are that subscriptions plied to Messrs Bishop for the recovery of evidence against him. The ridiculous charge some persons in that settlement have the were received to the amount of \$2,400,000, damages, but they would not pay anything, moreover is pressed against Tsai, of disobey- satisfaction of knowing, that their number and after the payment of debts there remains

should be distributed pro rate among the oreditors of the Board, and Assistant Treasurer Elster claims for the Government \$1,500,000 out of said balance. The Board say they have no interest whatever in said balance, but in order to be protected in the premises they pray the Court to order the plaiming parties to interplead, and to decide their rights by a decree, as in chancery, the Board offering to dispose of the fund in the meantime as the Court may direct.

PATRIOTIC WORDS FROM GOV. HAYES. Dayton, December 13th .- Gov. Hayes, in company with Col. R. Anderson, arrived here this afternoon. His arrival being unannounced, there was no crowd at the depot. He looked in excellent health. At o'clock 185 guns were fired in his honor. Fully 1000 persons marched in procession. headed by a band, to serenade the distingnished guest. Some 4000 persons were in the vicinity. Hayes said: My Friends: I will not detain you longer

than five minutes. I am here on a short visit to your beautiful city of Dayton, not one of concern in the political questions of The effect at night was magnificent, are not so much in honor of myself as on account of the peculiar interest that is felt in paid, but don't remember seeing it there were about 100 tons and done the entered into two other con- the quantity of rice we contracted for put pox, and on arrival of the steamer here the broken out on the French Concession, among the quantity of rice we contracted for put pox, and on arrival of the steamer here the broken out on the French Concession, among the product an extraordinary supply of sardines that are indiscreet, but, as the ex-The Mary Fraser went on the slip yester- American people to think that they desire ernment. Whatever may be the result at which the lawful authorities of the land shall arrive, you and I will quietly submit; could not occur anywhere else in the world. The entire area of this country is agitated by an uncertain political struggle, yet not one shot has been fired, not one man killed! there are no breakers of the peace. We have had in this Centennial year the wonders of our growth displayed in an exhibition of agricultural and mechanical arts, and we now are afforded an opportunity of giving the world an example of the value of republican government. In speaking to you this evening I have referred, without previous thought, to what must have occurred to every one of us standing here! and I take my leave of you with a most sincere acknowledgment of your expressions SHIPPING NOTES.

San Francisco, Dec. 16, 1877. The despatches on Friday mentioned the sinking by collision of the bark Robert Kelly. This vessel, it will be remembered, gained fame by beating one of the steamers from Yokohama early the present year. She left New York. Arriving safely, she was sent to Charleston, S. C., where she loaded for Havre, where she also arrived safely, and was returning when the disaster occurred of Start Point.

The Russian corvette Vsadnike arrived on Dec. 15, and was anchored at Saucelito.

The schooner Jessic Nickerson is fully due from Hokodate, and with a favorable chance The British ship Melbourne is reported to

have made the extraordinary run of 5139 nautical miles in 17 days.

In answer to an inquiry, we beg to state that the ship Great Republic, built by Donald McKay, in 1851, has not since been equalled in size nor probably in sailing yessel. Her capacity was over 4000 tons fortunate, considering the comparatively low and her original dimensions were 325 feet Mr long, 53 feet beam and 37 feet depth. She and | had four masts, all provided with lightabroad, since the beginning of October, ning-rods. Her main yard was 120 feet

It extras, used up 15,653 yards of canvas. Quotations. Hongkong, Jan. 16, 1877. PIUM. -- New Patna, cash...\$5821 credit, 585. New Benaves, cash, 545 credit, 5471 New Malwa, cash, 555 credit, 560 Allowance Taels, 82 a 40 Old Malwa, cash, 570 oredit. 570 Allowance Tacks. SALTPETRE. Exchange. Bank, on demand, 4/24 30 days' sight, 6 months' sight, ... 4/3 Documentary, 6 months sight, ... 4/34 Bombay, ... 411 229 Calcutta, Shanghal, demand, ... " ... 744 30 days Bar Silver, 17, dwts. B., Mexicans, and and are Gold Leaf, English Sovereigne, Austrelian Soverolgha, Discounts Shares. Hongkong Bank, 28 d. K. bire Im. Co., \$578 China Fire Ins. Co., \$105 Uhina Traders' Ins. Co., \$1800 Union Inc. Society of Canton, \$63 Uninese Insurance Oo., \$200 North Chips Inc. Co., Tis. 875 Yangtees Ins. Association, Tia. 640 1.K. & W. Dock Vo., 471 dis. H.K. O. & M. S. boat Co., \$15 dic. Shanghai Steam N. Co., Tin 93 ex div. Hongkong Hotel Co., \$525 dis. Ohinese Imperial Loan, £99 Tomporature. (raken at Maser: Halsener & Co.'s Premisti Quien's Road.)

Яонекоме, Jan. 16, 1877.

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BAROMETER - 0 A.M. ... 30.416 + 80.886

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Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of 31st Instant. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required

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At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England, France and Germany.

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Hongkong, January 15, 1877.

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